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FM AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3482

INFO AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY MADRID

AMEMBASSY PRAGUE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: CCINC CUSTOMS TRAINING: ALLSHOUSE VISIT

REF: (A) STATE 77879 (B) HAGUE 2089 (C) HAGUE 1357

1. CLEVERINGA (MINFIN, TRAINING) ADVISED EMBASSY MAY 2 THAT, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH HIS FINANCE MINISTRY COLLEAGUES IN SUB-DEPARTMENTS FOR CUSTOMS AND ORGANIZATION, HE IS UNABLE TO GIVE DEFINITE REPLY RE DESIRABILITY OF PROPOSED VISIT. PROPOSAL, HE SAID, IS ONE WHICH WOULD HAVE TO BE REFERRED TO HIGHER LEVELS FOR DECISION, POSSIBLY TO STATE SECRETARY, A TIME-CONSUMING PROCEDURE AT BEST. DEFINITE ANSWER THEREFORE NOT LIKELY TO EMERGE BEFORE SCHEDULED ALLSHOUSE VISIT.

2. WE HOPE THIS LATE DEVELOPMENT WILL NOT CAUSE SERIOUS INCONVENIENCE TO MR. ALLSHOUSE, BUT UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, THERE APPEARS TO BE NO REASON FOR INCLUDING NETHERLANDS IN ITINERARY AS ORIGINALLY INTENDED. IF MR. ALLSHOUSE SHOULD DECIDE INCLUDE HAGUE STOP, MEMBASSY WOULD OF COURSE BE PLEASED RECEIVE HIM AND DISCUSS CCINC TRAINING PROGRAM (FYI: DEA OFFICE IN HAGUE BECOMING OPERATIONAL WEEK OF MAY 6. END FYI).

3. CLEVERINGA DID NOT OFFER, NOR DID EMBOFF PRESS FOR, REASONS FOR NECESSITY OF REFERRING PROPOSAL TO SUCH HIGH LEVEL, BUT WE
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SUSPECT IT WAS ROUNDABOUT WAY OF GIVING NEGATIVE REPLY. CLEVERINGA

SUGGESTED THAT VISIT FOR LATE SUMMER OR FALL MIGHT BE CONSIDERED,
BUT WAY IN WHICH HE PROPOSED THIS ALTERNATIVE CLEARLY WAS NOT
ENCOURAGING.

4. IN VIEW OF TIGHT HOTEL SITUATION, EMBASSY WILL HOLD UNTIL COB
MAY 3 RESERVATIONS ALREADY MADE FOR MR. ALLSHOUSE FOR MAY 8
THROUGH 12 AT HOTEL CENTRAL, THE HAGUE. PLEASE ADVISE. EMBASSY
CONTACT IS FSO RAY MARIN.
TANGUY

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